



SICs – An Investment with Priceless Return!

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Who could say no to an investment with a virtually priceless return?

South Carolina's School Improvement Councils – over 1,100 of them – bring parents, community members, educators, students together to work toward strengthening their school communities. Strong schools provide vibrant environments to help all students reach their potential and prepare for success futures.

Each year, our state's nearly 15,000 SIC members contribute over a quarter million unpaid volunteer hours to their local schools through SIC service valued at nearly \$4 million. But current state funding supporting these SICs stands at just \$227,000. That's less than the cost of a postage stamp for each public school student.

Want to help support the vital work of local SICs? Please join me in investing in the future of South Carolina's public schools and their SICs by making a tax deductible contribution to the SC School Improvement Council! It's easy to do. Visit <http://sic.sc.gov/aboutscsic/Pages/DonatetoSC-SIC.aspx>, and simply follow the directions on how to give.

Even a charitable gift of \$5 or \$10 (or \$500 or \$1,000) can make a difference. I've given and I encourage you to do the same to make a positive impact for all SICs and every child in every public school in South Carolina!